



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Marc S. GORANS Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Serial No.: 10/702,370 Examiner: Unassigned
Confirmation No.: Unassigned
Filed: 6 November 2003 Docket No.: 294.0016 0101
Title: AUTOMATED HATCHLING PROCESSING METHOD AND SYSTEM

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

We are transmitting the following documents along with this Transmittal Sheet (which is submitted in triplicate):

An itemized return postcard.
 A Petition for Extension of Time for month(s) and a check in the amount of \$ for the required fee.
 An Information Disclosure Statement (2 pgs); copies of 3 applications; 1449 forms (2 pgs); and copies of 0 documents cited on the 1449 forms.
 A check in the amount of \$, for .
 A certified copy of a application, Serial No. , filed , the right of priority of which is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
 Other:
 Preliminary Amendment (4 pgs) and Replacement Drawings (7 figures on 5 sheets).
 No Additional fee is required. The fee has been calculated as shown:

Fee Calculation for Claims Pending After Amendment					
	Pending Claims after Amendment (1)	Claims Paid for Earlier (2)	Number of Additional Claims (1-2)	Cost per Additional Claim	Additional Fees Required
Total Claims				x \$18 =	
Independent Claims				x \$86 =	
One or More New Multiple Dependent Claims Presented? If Yes, Add \$290 Here →					
Total Additional Claim Fees Required					

Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for a sufficient number of months to enter these papers and please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4895. Triplicate copies of this sheet are enclosed.

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper(s), as described hereinabove, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 18th day of February, 2004.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Prior to taking up the above-identified application for examination, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on the page entitled "Amendments to the Specification."

Amendments to the Drawings begin on the page entitled "Amendments to the Drawings."

Remarks begin on the page entitled "Remarks."

An Attachment including amended drawing figures is attached following the last page of this Communication.